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DETECTING PERFORMER'S MOTION
TO INTERACTIVELY CONTROL
PERFORMANCE OF MUSIC OR THE
LIKE

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Group Art Unit: 2837

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